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SKINHEAD
BULLETIN



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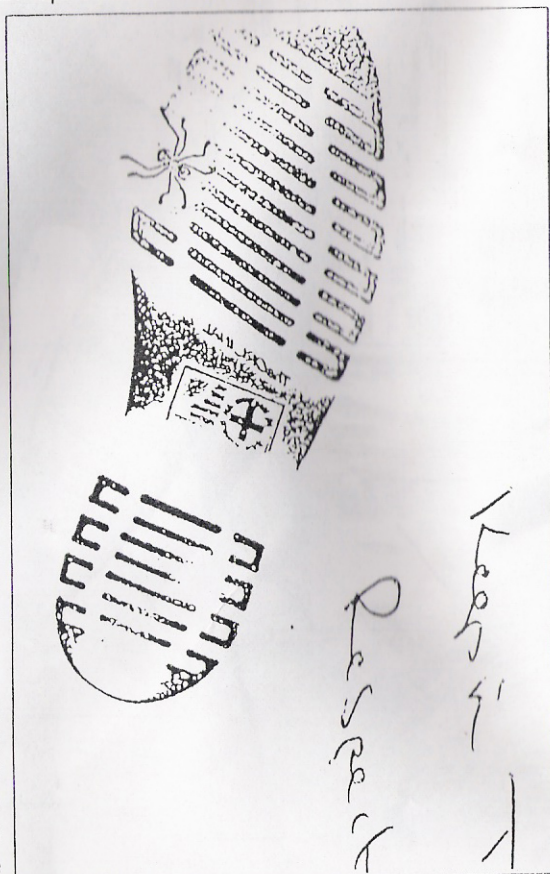
Welcome to INTERNATIONAL SKINHEAD BULLETIN!

Here you have got the first issue of a new International Skinhead Bulletin (ISB). It's made for skinheads who want to know what's going on with other skinheads some where else in Europe and the World.

The bulletin includes short stories about general skinhead life in different countries, skinheads' own stories and latest news as well as information about the close future in their areas. It will come out in every three months: May-August-November-February, with 500 pcs each number.

Beside the news one important meaning of the bulletin is to be a connection link for skinheads. When you want you can create contacts to other persons or areas through this bulletin.

We got this idea from the excellent BRITISH OII, and it's 'Right handed news', but we'd like to make it even more personal. Also, when traveling, maybe you have found out it too, that it's quite



hard to find skinheads in a new town if you don't know anything before hand. This bulletin would help in receiving information and contacts.

As you have noticed our first bulletin is numbered "0", because this is just an idea that we want to share with you. You are welcome to join the bulletin. Write a story about the skinhead scene in your town, send information about skinhead events in your area, send pictures & photos, give your info on a contact list, and if you want to sell or buy something you can do it in the bulletin. And, certainly, the one who sends us a story of 1-2 pages will get next 4 bulletins, FREE!

You can also use the ISB mail box as your own anonymous mailbox. We'll send all the mail that we receive with your name and code on, straight to you.

But this is just a start - and we'll need all your criticism & ideas to make this better. We'll make the bulletin for skinheads with you!

You want to join?

You can make your own pages about items you like: (size A4, 21x29.7 cm)

- skinhead history of your country or town
- what is going on in the skinhead scene of your town today
- what is important in your own skinhead life
- make band interviews, gig reports, top 10 charts
- latest news and information about the close future (3 months)
- you can also add pictures with black ink or photos
- do not write or draw anything that in wrong hands could be used against you or other skinheads
- add also your mailing address on a separate piece of paper for your own next free personal copy
- mail your page to the address below by the end of April 1997
- if you can't type, just write, and we'll type your story
- use English, or your native language - the crew tries to translate

After receiving pages we'll only copy them and make a part of International Skinhead Bulletin

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WANTED!

More ISB-crew members are needed! In each country we'll need a few persons for contact links, distributor organizers, story & info collectors and translators in English. Are you interested in? Write us! Become a part of the proud I.S.B -Crew!

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The ISB number "0" is free. In the next numbers we try to keep the price low and you can pay with your own (exchangeable!) currency. You can mail the money to us on your own risk. You can also use checks, Postal Orders or International Money Orders. In that case make them payable to: Visa M.

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• If you want to contact a skinhead through' the ISB:

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• If you want to give info or to advertise something, you are FREE to do it in the next bulletin!

So, let us begin together!

Visa & The ISB-crew.

PS. Keep your countries clean!

ISB - SKINHEAD CONTACT LIST

The I.S.B. - skinhead contact list is for skins who want to know about different places or to make contact with new guys. For traveling skins it a great way to get safe contacts in different countries or towns

If you want to join the list, you'll need to mention your:

- 1) (Code of the person (given by ISB))
- 2) Country
- 3) Town / Number of skinheads in your town
- 4) First or nick name
- 5) Sex group: (M = male, F = female)
Age group: (1 = 10-19, 2 = 20-29, 3 = 30-39 years, ...)
Skinhead type: wp, oi, ska, other - what ?
- 6) In your town the number of skinhead crowded
B: bars, C: Clubs, G: Gigs/year, S: shops Other places - what?
Can you organize a place to sleep for a traveling skinhead: YES/NO
- 7) Free time activities
- 8) Your name on the contact list should be renewed after the ISB number
- 9) Add also your name and address

1. Code	2. Country	3. Town	4. Name	5. Sex-Age-Type	6. Places	7. Activities	8. Renewed
1-1-1	Estonia	Tallinn-30	Jaanus	M-2-oi	B2,G5,S1,yes	guitar player (PVA)	4
5-1-1	Finland	Helsinki-120	Riba	M-3-wp	B4,C1,G10,S3,yes?	-	4
5-2-1	Finland	Tuusula-20	Visa	M-3-wp	B1,yes	wild life hiking	4
2-1-1	Germany	Celle-20	Axel	M-2-wp	(yes)	drawing, hiking, carving	4
3-1-1	Russia	Moscow-500	Misha	M-3-wp	G5,no	travel	4
4-1-1	USA	New York-70	Carl	M-2-oi	G25,no	beer & guitar (Templars)	4

Your own real name and address will be known only by the ISB. When somebody wants to get a contact to you or your town, I will send the one's letter to you, and you can make contact if you like.

When you want to contact some person or area of ISB-list:

- 1) Write a letter to the person you want to contact or to the one who is living the area you want to visit. Write his name & code on his envelope.
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ESTONIA



REVAL SKINS

History & today

Estonian skinhead movement is very young. The 1st skins appeared in Tallinn around 89-90 and quite soon after that also in Tartu. Now a days skins can be found also in Kohtla-Järve. In Estonia we don't have our own club-house, because of a lack of money. But we meet mostly in pubs, concerts and simply in homes.

There are about 60-70 skinheads in Estonia, with the largest crowd in Tartu, around 40 skins. We have two bands: 'P.V.A.' from Tallinn and 'MOTHER, GIVE ME SOME BULLETS' from Kohtla-Järve. We don't have very many niggers, only a few musicians, but quite many jews there are. But the worst problem is the fighting among skinheads, especially in Tartu. Personally I feel that my job is to make the Estonian skinhead movement more united with less fighting against each other. Everything is not as it should be, but it's getting better, I hope!

Welcome to a Concert!

There will be a skinhead concert in Estonia on Saturday, April 19, 1997. Especially foreign comrades are most welcome to our 4th 18-CONCERT! See more info on a separate page.

Jaanus, Tallinn

ESTONIA



Eesti Skins proudly present:

18 - CONCERT nr 4.

PLACE: Somewhere in Estonia
TIME: Saturday, April 19, 1997
BANDS: **P.V.A.** (Tallinn)
MOTHER, GIVE ME BULLETS (Kohtla-Järve)
&
MISTREAT (Finland)

PRICE: EEK 260, FIM 100, SEK 150, DEM 30, USD 20
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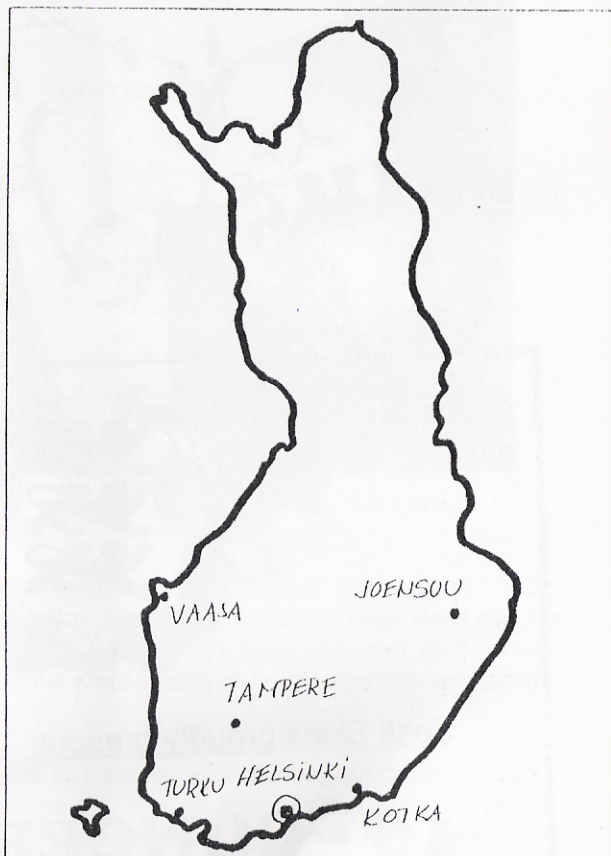
FINLAND

The Skinhead story

Like in many countries, also in Finland the skinhead scene developed from punk. In our country this happened around 1979, when the first skinheads appeared in the streets of Helsinki and Tampere. Non of these guys are any more skins, but the 1st wave continued until the early '80's, like I became a skinhead in 1982. There are about 10 men or women that were skins then - and still are!

Best memories from those days are the gig of Madness in Helsinki in 1984. That was just The Thing for a young skinhead back then! An other funny thing happened in Lempäälä Punk Festival in 1983. There were about 200 punks having their festival on a sunny summer day. But unluckily 8 skins, seven from Tampere and one from Helsinki entered the party with baseball bats. They were like a thunder, through everyone away, climb up on the stage and broke all the equipment. That was the great finish for the Lempäälä Punk Festivals, for ever. The most active skinhead towns on those days were Helsinki, Tampere, Turku and Kotka.

The second skinhead generation appeared in Helsinki in late 80's. A lot of new young men entered the scene. The music style changed from softer to harder and the scene got some political aspects, as well. Also the 1st Finnish skinhead band was founded, Mistreat, in '88! The whole Finnish skinhead scene became active - guys got themselves on TV-documents and on radio. They also realized quite well what it is to be a skinhead: not only the beer-drinking and noise-making, but also to be a part of the working class, the



family, the unity by clothes, sports, friends and the whole way of life for years to go.

Today - more active than ever

Now a days, 10 years after the beginning the 2nd wave of skinheads it is good and proud to be a skinhead in Finland. Guys generally in the whole country are very active. People are ready to work harder for the shared goal. This has led us to create club-houses, first in Helsinki and then also in Turku, Joensuu and Vaasa, many gigs in different towns, skinhead zins, etc. It's been real good to see how things happen when you try together!



MISTREAT in TURKU 1995.

Tomorrow's info

Certainly, there will be concerts, at least in Helsinki area. Just wait for April and the summer months - more info will be given as soon as we know! Visit the Helsinki Skin club-house! Info-address: P.O.Box 158, Fin-00701 Helsinki.

Riba, Helsinki

PS: "SUPPORT THE HKI-SKINS!"

GERMANY



AXEL



History of the country & town

1969

The first skinheads in Germany used to be on the coast cities or harbor cities, like Hamburg, Bremen and Wilhelmshaven. That was in 1969! Nobody knows what people were thinking about these young men that time. On those days hippies and students were demonstrating against the Vietnam war and the Government. That was more interesting for journalists than a few guys with short cropped hair and boots sitting in pubs and having a few beers.

1979

Back in the late seventies English soldiers who served in Germany made the skinhead style more famous than in '69. They kind of imported it into the Continental Europe. In the beginning the skinheads used to be non-political and they met with punks every year in Hannover, the Capital of Lower Saxony, North-West Germany to celebrate the 'Chaos Days'. The celebration on '83 or '84 was very important. It was about skins and punks together or punks against skins or skins against punks. And since many skinheads joined National parties and meetings, it finally was a big riot between skins and punks. Also a few bands were founded, like Boese Onkels, Endstufe, Body Checks, Kahlkopf, Vortex, Vandalen and Herbärs. Then by the year of '88 or '89 came also the S.H.A.R.P. and Trojan Skins. These people used to go to scooter runs and ska or soul parties. Politically they were mostly red and antiracist. Of course there were also white power skins. In the late '80's Skrewdriver came to Germany for the 1st time. They were very liked here.

1989

In '89 happened also something else: the two Germanys joined! A lot of West-German skinheads went to old GDR to meet East-German skins. For easterners to be a skinhead meant to be a proud German. They thought it was a German thing. When we told them the skinhead-style comes from England, they never believed us because we had German flags on our jackets. Also they asked us: "Hey, you, what boots do you wear?" "Dr. Martens", we answered, but they continued: "German skins have to wear army boots!" And we just laughed at them! Certainly, these talks led to fights between us and them many times. For us they were just some stupid East Germans and to them we were just some idiots from the west.

But as years went by the things changed. Now a days a few of my South East German mates go to evening school to learn English. It's quite useful language if you want to travel to different places than the German Baltic Coast. Sometimes I think that if you have found a mate in the East, you have found a good one, some one you can really count on!

Here in my home town Celle the S.H. scene is not very good. We are only about 10-20 people. When we meet different skins there's usually a fight. I think that is really sick! But I can't change it. That's why I try to go to different cities as often as I can.

Since the beginning of the 90's the most concerts are organized in the eastern part of Germany. There have played bands like Bound For Glory, Brutal Attack, Aryan and A.D.L. 122. There are a lot of skinheads from Italy, England, Poland, Czech, Austria, France, almost all over Europe coming to our gigs. When it's an international concert there are usually 800-1200 skinheads coming. So it's very good to visit Germany.

Visiting Germany?

If you plan to go to Germany, first you should contact someone you know. It's not very healthy if you arrive with your plane to Berlin or Hamburg... and just walk through the city. You don't know where to go and where to stay away from. But it's worth coming here: there are good concerts in Germany! Fortress will play with the Blue Eyed Devils. Bound for Glory will be back in the Fatherland in May. I heard some rumors that Aryan will come this year and... remember, there are always a lot of skinheads. I think it's the same on Oi! and ska gigs.

My own life

Important in my skinhead life is work, if I have got a one. When I'm employed I'm used to draw. Right now I'm drawing a picture for a concert T-shirt. I designed a Tour crew T-shirt. And I can draw some more designs for bands' T-shirts or even CD-covers. Of course, I don't use any forbidden symbols. In that way it's cheaper for me. I can't afford to pay a lawyer 2-5 times a year! If I don't draw pictures, I'll write letters to skinmates in different countries. International contacts are very important to me. Some times I'm carving, I really like that! Especially when the tools end up in my hand. I didn't know I had so much blood until I begun carving! And if I ever have too much money I spend it on travel or tattoos.

Axel, Celle

RUSSIA



MOSCOW SKINS

The start of the skinheads

Russian skinhead movement included only about 5-10 skinheads in the early '90's. But then we received the Romper Stomper Video, and many things changed. A lot of new skins came into scene, our first skin zine appeared and bands as well, but we didn't have any club to gather in or to play our music. But the situation changed in 1996: another band appeared - SCHTUM started and played 3 gigs with excellent music.

There was a great w.p. concert in Moscow in January 1997. SCHTUM (Moscow) and TOTENKOPF (Jaroslavl) played. Also we were waiting for a band from St. Petersburg, but they were arrested by the cops on the road to Moscow. There were over 350 skins in the concert and bands played their own songs in Russian language and cover-versions in German or English. Also SKREWDRIVER's songs were played - it's a most loved group by the Russian skins. It's a great sorrow that Ian is not with us!

What's the matter with skinheads?

What's the matter in relationship between Resistance, Blood & Honour and Combat 18? What are all the hostilities for? We've got enough enemies, don't we? I'd like to know what's going on! I like bands like English Rose and No Remorse (Paul B.) very much, their music is just great! I would be very pleased if somebody informed me what to think about all this.

Today's Russia & skins

The Russian skinhead movement is very young and not united. Only a few guys are over 30 years old and most are under 20. We have got some problems with money and places to host traveling skins. Also we had great difficulties to find basic skinhead clothes like bombers and Dr. Martens in the beginning, but now a days they are easy to find. But at the moment it is still difficult to obtain Lonsdale, Fred Perry, Ben Sherman, practically there are no patches.

The skinhead movement is very perspective in this country, as a lot of people are apt to be real skins, not mods. Nothing like Red Skins or SHARPs are known, and I think they are not to be found here.

Life in Moscow is very dangerous now a days. At the moment we haven't got many places to host safely a lot of traveling skins in our town, but I hope this kind of situation won't last for a long time.

All the best! 14/88!

Misha, Moscow



UNITED STATES



History

The skinhead scene started in the United States sometimes in the early 80's. The first to use skinhead image were bands like Iron Cross and the Effigies. In New York, bands like Agnostic Front and Warzone gave skinheads a permanent place in the punk/hard-core scene. Oi! Music first caught on in New York in the last 80's. Bands like the Press and the Radicts went on to release a split Lp for Roddy Moreno's Oi! Records' Skins'n Punks series. Other bands like American Eagle and Brute Force were able to get their 5 minutes of flame. Then things died down for a while and ska music filled the gab.

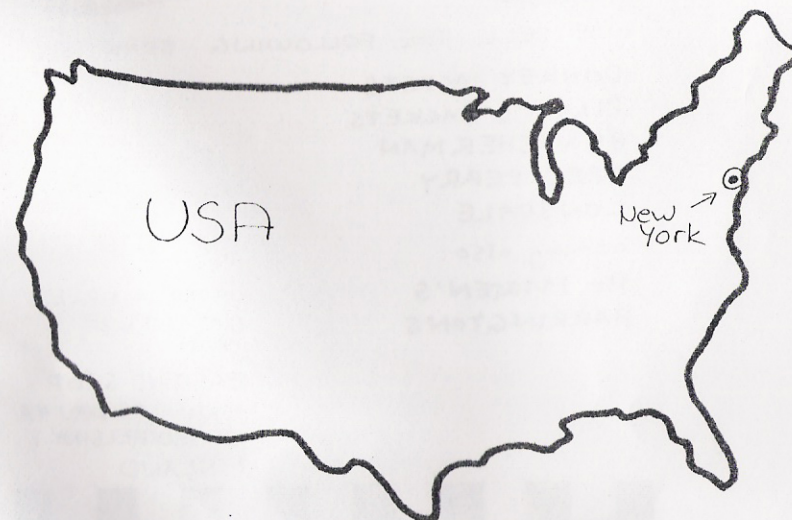
And today

Oi! Music made a come back in the early 90's with the arrival of Oxblood and the Templars. Today there are quite a few Oi! Bands playing in the New York area. We have the Templars, Oxblood, First Strike, Bottom of the Barrel, the Krays, the Truents, the Casualties, Battle Cry, and Urban Riot. All the bands mentioned are non-political and there are few, if any, political skins in NYC. We also have a lot of Ska bands like Mephaskapheles, the Insteps, and the

Toasters to name a few. There are also many hard core bands that draw a skinhead following, like Step Too Far.

Nation-wide, America has many Oi! Bands and more popping up every day. Check out bands like 90 Proof, The Toughskins, Povver Wonderland, Pist'n'Broke, Patriot, Anti-Heroes, Bovver 96, the Sussed, Fully Loaded, the Choice, the Subversives, Chapter 21, the Bruisers, the Service, Time Bomb 77, Blanks 77, Wretched Ones, Niblick Henbane, Those Unknown, Boot Party, and the Authority. Some of these bands mentioned have recently broken up, but if you can find stuff by them, check them out.

Carl, New York



SKINHEAD EVENT PROGRAM LIST

1. Country, 2. Town, 3. Time, 4. Event, 5. Info

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Estonia	x	Apr 19	Oi!-GIG/Mistreat, PVA, MGMB	Jaanus, ISB 1-1-1

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